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THINK OF IT! A Piedmont drug store without whiskey! This is certainly the age of reform.

Let the Legislature abolish the clerk graft during the present session. It should have been abolished long ago.

The State University only wants \$1,700,000 from the Legislature for the next year. Modesty always was a redeeming trait of that Columbia bunch.

It is rumored that Mr. Bryan is to resign as Secretary of State and that Senator Stone is slated to be his successor. If we were William Joel we would stay in the Senate.

SOME figures relative to the Secretary of State's conduct of his office are given in this paper. They are commendable to Mr. Roach and gratifying to the citizen. More anon.

It is stated that Senator Kinney of St. Louis will introduce a bill in the Senate, early in the session, repealing the two cent rate law. He is quoted as saying that the Senators will not oppose it.

The Columbia University will ask \$1,750,000 from the Legislature this time. To avoid numerical complications, I suggest that the State Treasury, in bulk, be turned over to the all too modest institution.

The Farmington News is strong in its defense and commendation of Congressman Hensley for the vote he cast when the Prohibition Amendment was up in Congress. Were anything more needed to convince Mr. Hensley that his course was wrong, indefensible and un-democratic as it could be, this ought to fill the bill.

Farmers' Week is Crowded Full

Farmers' Week at the University of Missouri at Columbia, January 11-15, 1915, promises to be "bigger and better than ever." From the very first night's program, when Dr. H. J. Waters, president of the Kansas State Agriculture at Columbia, will give an illustrated lecture on world agriculture, the week promises to be as interesting as instructive.

The evening programs throughout the week will be held in the University auditorium under the auspices of the State Board of Agriculture. Noted speakers will be in Columbia for these meetings.

During the day the short courses for everyone, and the special short courses for women, and also for boys and girls, will be conducted by the faculty of the College of Agriculture. These short courses will begin at 8:30 o'clock and close at 1:30 o'clock. From six to ten lectures or demonstrations will be given each hour, so that it will be impossible for anyone to hear or see all. Each person will choose the course they would rather take, the ones they are vitally interested in. Every subject of interest to the farmer, his wife, and his boy and girl, will be covered in these short courses.

During the afternoons, fifteen of the twenty state organizations connected with agriculture, will hold their annual corn show at Columbia during the week, and has offered a large number of valuable premiums. There will also be judging contests, both corn and stock, for both boys and girls under the auspices of the Boys' and Girls' clubs of the state. The state clubs will have an exhibit at Columbia during the week.

The crowning event of the week will be the big banquet given by the University of Missouri to the visiting farmers Friday night, January 15, at the close of the week. One of the prize steers will be killed for this big feast, and everything served will be from the agricultural college farm.

Last year there were more than 2500 farmers there during the week, registering from ninety-two counties of the state and from eighteen other states. It looks like there will be at least 3000 there this year.

Bankers Trust Assets Pledged.

(St. Louis Post-Dispatch.)
Leon W. Quick, receiver for the Bankers Trust Co., who was appointed on petition of creditors Sept. 28, after the company's stock had dropped in the market from \$190 a share to \$18, made his report yesterday to the Circuit Court. He said that virtually all the company's assets were pledged as collateral for loans, and that \$1,017,086, in obligations of uncertain value, was now past due the company. Nearly all the bills receivable, it was stated, are past due, some are unsecured and others are secured by collateral of doubtful value.

The company, in its last report before the receivership, listed its resources as \$6,594,701.00. J. E. Franklin was head of the company. Quick reported that he could make no estimate of the assets, but said more than two-thirds of the assets were in bonds of the San Antonio, Uvalde & Gulf Railroad, now in a receiver's hands. In the present condition of the money market, Quick said, he could not attempt to figure the value of this holding. The bonds,

representing the trust company's investment, were pledged to secure liabilities, he said.

Officers of the trust company have said that, if they could sell the railroad, the trust company would be in good shape, but Quick's report showed that, as the bonds are pledged, the proceeds of their sale would go to paying the obligations for which they are security.

Many liabilities were found, Quick said, which do not appear on the trust company's books.

Included in some of the items to which the attention of the Court is called are the following:

There is still owing for railroad material and equipment \$183,552, which was not carried upon the books of the company as a liability.

Bonds of the railroad to the amount of \$3,949,000 were carried at par value as an asset.

Unsecured notes of the railroad now in a receiver's hands were carried as assets to the amount of \$348,964.

Notes of the Cross S. Farming company secured by a second deed of trust to unimproved Texas land were carried to the amount of \$190,551.27. Having preference over these is a first deed of trust of \$720,000.

Notes of the Big Wells Township company were carried to the amount of \$87,162. These were secured by trust deeds on lots. The town has a population of 600.

Notes of a "syndicate" were carried to the amount of \$216,558, the collateral being doubtful paper taken out of the State National Bank of Little Rock, Ark., in an effort to prevent the failure of the bank.

Notes of W. L. and Lucy Z. Musick were carried to the extent of \$83,440 secured by second deeds of trust in the Musick division, St. Louis County.

Notes of H. C. Morrow were carried to the extent of \$50,000 and as collateral was given shares in the Bankers' Trust Co.

Among the assets was carried \$39,669 due from the liquidating committee of the Bank of Monroe, La., now in the process of liquidation. Stocks held by the company were valued at \$710,075.10 and the receiver puts their value at \$512,175.

Among the stocks listed is \$62,499 of a bank now in the hands of a receiver.

In telling of the impossibility of arriving at an estimate of assets the receiver states that numerous claims "aggregating several hundred thousand dollars," have been filed upon alleged letters of guarantees upon notes. These claims, he states, were not shown upon the books of the company as a liability.

The court is informed that the Bankers Trust Co. entered into an agreement June 30, 1914, with the First National Bank of Granite City by which bonds in the railroad company to the face value of \$160,000 were given to the bank to secure notes due or about to become due amounting to about \$55,000 and that an agreement was made that if the notes were not taken up in 40 days that security satisfactory to the bank would be provided.

Obligations incurred by the Franklin Development Co., engaged in constructing the railroad and amounting to \$139,162 were assumed by the trust company. The receiver states that he does not include this transaction in his report, as certain lands to be transferred by the contracting company to the trust company have not yet been transferred.

The receiver also reports that bonds of the railroad to the par value of \$200,000 have been pledged with various banks as security for notes to the value of \$116,790 and that these notes were not included upon the books of the company as bills payable.

Secretary Roach's Record.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 4, 1915.—The receipts of the office of Secretary of State under the administration of Cornelius Roach the past year are nearly two hundred thousand dollars in excess of the most prosperous year in the history of the State Department prior to Mr. Roach's incumbency. The total receipts for 1914 of his office were \$435,587.62. The receipts during the last four years reach a total of \$1,330,997.09. The last four years of his predecessor's term showed total receipts of \$751,118.49, or an average of \$187,779.62 per year. The average during Mr. Roach's term is \$314,404.62.

The total revenues as shown by the figures which follow testify in terms stronger than any language can, of the manner in which the affairs of the office of Secretary of State have been conducted during that period:

Revenues under Mr. Swanger:

1905.....\$155,933.05
1906.....196,374.29
1907.....244,711.10
1908.....153,200.08

Revenues under Mr. Roach:

1909.....\$314,302.75
1910.....241,127.91
1911.....215,080.92
1912.....280,868.89
1913.....386,449.76
1914.....435,587.62

Burk and Hobbs Sweep the Board.

(Piedmont Banner.)
When the Germans drove their wedges of steel and human flesh through Belgium they sprang a surprise on the world by using howitzers of a calibre bigger than had ever been heard of before. With these guns they chewed their way into the fortifications that confronted them.

In like manner Steve Burk and A. B. Hobbs effected the quick conquest of Piedmont. Their gospel guns and revival instrumentalities are comparable only to those 42-centimeter howitzers of the Prussians. It was a "drive." Within a brief 18 days 412 persons were converted.

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CAIN & CODDING.

The meeting closed Sunday night. Why did it close so soon? well, why did Alexander weep?

In the past Piedmont had broken the hearts of a score of evangelists. It had become the common understanding that the town was invincible. But now this arrogant stronghold of resistance to the gospel, stands a willing captive to the compelling evangelism of Steve Burk, and is too amazed over the suddenness of it all to really know how it happened.

The four hundred and twelve conversions resulting from the meeting included nearly a score who united with the churches Sunday without having actually pledged themselves beforehand. This total includes all but five or six of the business and professional men of the town.

How did Burk do it? Well, how does the lightning strike? and how does dynamite explode? and how does a German brigade, within a howling circle of howitzer balls as big as meteors, walk into and through solid walls of steel and concrete?

There are no details to relate—only a result.

For one thing, nobody's logic is worth a confederate shin-plaster in front of a Burk onslaught. No sort of defense is. He is a sledge hammer so big that most folks are like pin heads on his anvil. Not that his logic is better than other people's, but how can logic reply to a steam roller? It was not that he preached a gospel different from other evangelists who have been here; but he had more personality behind it—more dynamic force.

Early in the meeting the sinners began to capitulate. Then contagion caught the town. Power, pleading, persuasiveness from the platform; personal work pressure, exhortation, all combined to swing the people into a tremendous, unqualified landslide for decency, public morals, individual reformation and church loyalty.

All successful evangelists understand the principle that "the constant dropping of water wears away stone." But Steve Burk's idea seems to be this: "Why tool away time bombarding the stone with rain drops; turn on the big blue ocean."

From here the evangelists went to their homes in Kansas City, Kansas, where they will remain with their families a few days. They expect to begin their next meeting at Centralia, Ill., about January 10.

FIGURES AND RESULTS.
Incidental Expense.....\$ 514.62
Paid Burk and Hobbs.....940.87
Total Expense.....\$1,455.49

Number of Cards Pledged.....396
Unpledged Church Accessions.....16
Total Recorded Conversions.....412

151 Persons Joined Churches Sunday as follows:
Baptist.....53
Methodist.....51
Christian.....36
Presbyterian.....6
Nazarene.....Several pledged.

There will be other accessions to the local churches later. The converts were not all from Piedmont. Numbers of them will unite with churches in other places.

Have you tried the New drink called Cherry Chio, which can be had at the Kandy Kitchen?

Of unusual interest is the announcement of the ST. LOUIS GLOBE-DEMOCRAT to be found elsewhere in this issue. The "Twice-a-Week" edition of that sterling publication, a great Semi-Weekly newspaper with a Weekly Farm and Home Magazine Section in colors, is offered at the special rate of two years or two yearly subscriptions for one dollar. The DAILY GLOBE-DEMOCRAT, six issues per week, is offered to Rural Free Delivery and Star Route patrons, yearly subscriptions only, for \$2.50 per year, or if the Sunday paper is desired, seven issues per week, for \$4.50 per year. The regular price of the DAILY GLOBE-DEMOCRAT including Sunday, is \$6.00 per year. Daily without Sunday \$4.00 per year. Sunday only \$2.00 per year. Read the announcement and order the GLOBE-DEMOCRAT, either daily or "Twice-a-Week," to-day. Address Globe Printing Company, publishers, St. Louis, Mo.

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NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.
Noticed hereby given that the undersigned, J. A. Lotz, Administrator of the estate of John Lotz, deceased, will make final settlement of his accounts with said estate as such Administrator at the next term of the Probate Court of Iron County, Missouri, to be held at Ironton, in said county, on the 8th day of February, A. D. 1915.
J. A. LOTZ,
Administrator of estate of John Lotz, dec'd.

SHERIFF'S SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST.
Whereas, Cordelia Simpson, by her certain deed of trust, dated the 27th day of November, 1912, and recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds for the County of Iron and State of Missouri, in book 3, at page 68, conveyed to S. McSpaden, Trustee, the following described real estate, situated in the County of Iron, and State of Missouri, to wit:
The west half of the southeast quarter of section nineteen, and the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter, and the north half of the lot numbered one of the north-west quarter of section thirty, in township thirty-four, north, of range one east of the Fifth Principal Meridian in Missouri, containing one hundred and fifty-eight acres and five-hundredths of an acre;
Which conveyance was made to said S. McSpaden, in trust, to secure the payment of certain notes said deed specified; and whereas, default has been made in the payment of the principal and interest due on said notes and said principal and interest are now past due and remain unpaid;
And, whereas, it is provided in said deed of trust, that in case of default, removal of the state or refusal to act, of said S. McSpaden, as trustee, the then acting Sheriff of Iron County, Missouri, shall act in his stead, and sell the foregoing described property in case of default;
And, whereas, S. McSpaden, trustee in said deed of trust, has refused to act as such trustee and foreclose the property conveyed by said deed of trust;
Now, therefore, at the request of the legal holder of said note, and in pursuance of the conditions in said deed of trust contained, I, the undersigned, the duly elected, qualified and acting Sheriff of Iron County, Missouri, will sell the property above described at public vendue, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the courthouse door in the City of Ironton, County of Iron, State of Missouri, on

Saturday, January 24th, 1915, between the hours of nine o'clock A. M. and five o'clock P. M., of said day, for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness and the cost of executing this trust.

WM. BLAKE,
Sheriff of Iron County, Missouri.
Ironton, Missouri, January 5, 1915.

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Ladies' regular \$4.75 Long Cloaks in Blacks and Colors—were Splendid Values at 4.75—reduced to	3.50
All regular \$5.50 Cloaks reduced to	4.25
" 5.00 " " "	3.75
Fine Satin Lined Cloaks, \$15.00 grade, reduced to	11.00

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All regular \$15.00 Ladies' Suits reduced to	\$11.00
" " " " " " " "	10.00
" " " " " " " "	8.75

Ladies' Skirt Reductions:

All Ladies' fine \$6.50 Grade Skirts reduced to	\$4.75
" " regular 5.50 " " " "	4.25
" " " " " " " "	3.50
" " " " " " " "	2.98 (these are unusual bargains at regular price)

BIG BARGAINS IN MEN'S AND BOYS' OVERCOATS

Children's Regular 1.25 Overcoats, ages 4 to 9, cut to 95c	
Boys' and Youth's Regular 2.50 grade Overcoats	\$1.85
Youth's and Men's " 5.00 " " "	4.00
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" " " " " " " "	10.00
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3 cans fine Sweet Sugar Corn for	25c
3 cans Good Tomatoes (Standard Size)	25c
3 cans Best Lye Hominy	25c
3 cans High Grade Kraut	25c
3 cans High Grade Pumpkin	25c
3 cans Early June Peas	25c
6 (small size) Pet Milk	25c
3 (large size)	25c

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